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### AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the official action of September 4, 2008, for which a response is required December 4, 2008. The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following remarks and amendments to the claims.

Any additional fees associated with this Amendment may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

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